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Sir:

The applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents identified on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. As per the rules, the International Bureau should have provided copies of the references, thus they are not attached.

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The documents A1 through A10 have been cited in the International Search Report, a copy of which is attached hereto. Relevance of the documents A1 through A10 is explained in the Search Report. The documents B1 through B11 have been cited in the specification. Relevance of the documents A1 through A10 is explained in the Search Report. Relevance of the documents B1 through B11 is explained in the specification, particularly on page 1 of the specification.

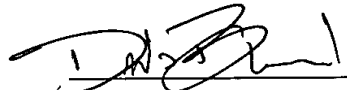
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English translation of the documents A1-A10 and B1-B-11 is not readily available; however, the absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609).

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Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and formally be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP § 609.

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